# Turkey – Upland Game Bird – Migratory Bird Master List December 20, 2021

Specific proposed changes for 2022–2023 as adopted by the Fish and Wildlife Commission at their December 14, 2021 meeting identified below. All season components except calendar year rotation are open for public comment but are proposed to remain unchanged from 2021.

#### **TURKEY**

Statewide: Adjust Spring Turkey Season dates from April 10-May 16 to April 15 – May 31.

Allow use of air rifle as legal means of take of turkeys during the fall season. Air rifles to take fall turkeys may be a .177 caliber air rifle shooting a pba pellet at least 1250 feet per second or a .22 caliber air rifle shooting a pba pellet at least 950 feet per second.

### Region 4:

Eliminate special drawing Turkey Licenses 400-20 (current quota of 40) & 445-20 (current quota of 40).

Establish a region-wide Region 4 Spring Turkey season that will have statewide season dates and license requirements.

Eliminate Fall Turkey Season in Region 4.

#### **Region 6 & 7:**

Boundary change – Adjust turkey boundaries to align with administrative region boundaries.

## **UPLAND GAME BIRD**

Allow use of air rifle as legal means of take of mountain grouse during the fall season. Air rifles to take mountain grouse may be a .177 caliber air rifle shooting a pba pellet at least 1250 feet per second or a .22 caliber air rifle shooting a pba pellet at least 950 feet per second.

## **MIGRATORY BIRD**

Establish a Light Goose Conservation Order for snow and Ross's geese in the Central Flyway that occurs from March 1 to May 15. A conservation order is a season in which specific waterfowl may be taken to aid in reducing overabundant populations that have been determined to have a deleterious effect on their arctic breeding grounds.